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SUBJ: TURMOIL AT LECUMBERRI

REF: MEXICO 5332 AND 5737

1. THROUGH MAY 4 CONOFF VISIT TO LECUMBERRI, EMBASSY LEARNED THAT SO-CALLED "RIOT" INVOLVED NOT ONLY DORMITORY "O" BUT PRACTICALLY ENTIRE PRISON. THROUGH PERHAPS PRECIPITATED BY INCIDENT IN WHICH MEXICAN PRISONER WAS HIT IN FACE BY GUARD FOR REPORTING FIVE MINUTES LATE FOR ROLL-CALL, THERE IS EVIDENCE THAT THE "RAMPAGE" WAS PLANNED AS CELEBRATION OF CHANGE IN PRISON ADMINISTRATION. DISTURBANCE LASTED FROM SUNDAY EVENING TILL MONDAY EVENING, DURING WHICH TIME PRISON STORES WERE LOOTED AND PRISONERS DID AS THEY PLEASED. GUARDS EVIDENTLY MADE NO ATTEMPT TO STOP THE DISTURBANCE, AND NO AMERICAN PRISONER INTERVIEWED BY CONOFF HAD HEARD OF ANY PHYSICAL INJURY OR HAD ANY COMPLAINT TO MAKE. NO DISCIPLINARY MEASURES HAVE BEEN IMPOSED BY PRISON AUTHORITIES AS RESULT OF DISTURBANCE, AND NO SUCH MEASURE IS EXPECTED TO BE TAKEN.

2. THOUGH IT IS THROUGHT THAT ALL MAYORES HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THEIR POSITIONS OF AUTHORITY, IT IS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CERTAIN THAT MAYORES FOR DORMITOTIES "O" AND "G"

HAVE BEEN REMOVED.

3. NEW SUB-DIRECTOR HAS MET WITH GROUPS OF PRISONERS,
AND FROM HIS ATTITUDE AND CHANGED ATMOSPHERE OF THE
PRISON, PRISONERS THINK NEW ADMINISTRATION WILL BRING
ABOUT IMPROVED CONDITIONS.
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